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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

in re Application of:	(
MAVROMARA et al.) Group Art Unit: 1636
Application No.: 10/664,038) Examiner: Not yet assigned
Filed: September 17, 2003	,) ,
For: NUCLEIC ACIDS AND NEW POLYPEPTIDES ASSOCIATED WITH AND/OR OVERLAPPING WITH HEPATITIS C VIRUS CORE GENE PRODUCTS))))
Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450	

SUPPLEMENTAL PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Prior to the examination of the above application, please amend this application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification are included in this paper, beginning on page 2.

Amendments to the Claims are included in this paper, beginning on page 3.

Amendments to the Drawings are included in the attached replacement drawing sheets, and are discussed in this paper, beginning on page 8.

Remarks/Arguments follow the amendment sections of this paper, beginning on page 9.